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SUBJ CCD: US- UK DISCUSSIONS ON CW, CTB AND WDC

1. SUMMARY: DURING CALL ON AMB MARTIN (US) APRIL 9, JULIAN AMERY, UK MINISTER OF STATE FOR FCO AFFAIRS AND NEW HEAD OF UK CCD DEL, ASKED FOR US VIEWS ON WDC, CTB AND CW. AMERY, IN RESPONSE TO INDEPTH REVIEW OF US THINKING ON CW, NOTED THAT UK WOULD HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTY GOING ALONG WITH ANY BAN AT THIS TIME IN ABSENCE OF EFFECTIVE VERIFICATION. END SUMMARY.

2. BRIEF DISCUSSION OF WDC SPECIAL COMMITTEE ISSUE CLEARLY SHOWED PARALLEL VIEWS BETWEEN US AND UK. IN RESPONSE TO AMERY' S QUESTION ON CTB, MARTIN REPLIED THAT US POSITION REMAINS UNCHANGED; THAT WE SEEK AN ADEQUATELY- VERIFIED TREATY; AND THAT WE HAD TOLD SOVIETS IN BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS THAT PARTICIPATION OF ALL NUCLEAR POWERS IN AN AGREEMENT HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED BY US TO BE A PREREQUISITE TO A CTB.

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3. MARTIN SAID THAT AS A GENERAL PRINCIPLE WE HAVE NO DIFFICULTY WITH JAPANESE PROPOSAL FOR INFORMAL MEETING ON CTB, BUT AT THE SAME TIME HE OUTLINED THREE POSSIBLE PROBLEM AREAS INVOLVING (A) FIXED AGENDA; (B) PNES; AND (C) IDEA OF AGREED CONCLUSIONS AT END OF MEETING. US REP EXPRESSED HOPE THAT JAPANESE, WITH EFFORTS BY BOTH UK AND US DELS, WOULD BE FLEXIBLE ON THESE POINTS. AMB HAINWORTH (UK) SAID THESE POINTS WERE EQUALLY BOTHERSOME TO BRITISH, AND SUGGESTED THAT RESULTS OF MEETING MIGHT BE CONDENSED INTO YEAR- END CCD REPORT AS WAS DONE FOR CW LAST YEAR.

4. IN RESPONSE TO AMERY' S QUESTION, MARTIN DISCUSSED US THINKING ON BASIC CW ISSUES. US REP SAID THAT US WAS LOOKING AT PROBLEM IN CONTEXT OF WHAT COULD ENHANCE US SECURITY AND THAT OF OUR ALLIES. WE WERE LOOKING FOR MEANS TO REDRESS PRESENT SITUATION IN WHICH POLITICAL RESTRAINTS LIMIT ABILITY OF US AND ITS ALLIES, BUT NOT USSR, TO PRODUCE AND DEPLOY CW.

5. AMERY THANKED MARTIN FOR HIS PRESENTATION AND REPLIED THAT HE FOUND US THINKING ON CW TO BE " PROFOUNDLY DISTURBING". HE SAID UK DOES NOT HAVE A STOCKPILE, DOES NOT PRODUCE CW, BUT THAT UK WOULD HAVE " GREAT DIFFICULTY" GOING ALONG WITH ANY CW MEASURE IN ABSENCE OF RELIABLE VERIFICATION. HE EMPHASIZED THAT MORE CONFIDENCE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST WAS NEEDED FOR AN ACCEPTABLE CW TREATY. HE SAID THAT IF US FELT A CW INITIATIVE WAS IN US INTEREST, WE SHOULD GO AHEAD, BUT THAT IT WOULD NOT BE EASY FOR UK TO FOLLOW. HE ACKNOWLEDGED, HOWEVER, THAT THESE DISCUSSIONS WERE LARGELY HYPOTHETICAL UNTIL DECISION TAKEN WITHIN USG ON THIS MATTER.

6. MARTIN REVIEWED VERIFICATION PROBLEM IN GENERAL TERMS AND NOTED IMPORTANCE OF STOCKPILE AS A DETERRENT. IN CLOSING, MARTIN ASSURED AMERY THAT US WOULD TAKE NO INITIATIVE AT CCD BEFORE CONSULTING FULLY. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT OUR ALLIES WOULD REFRAIN FROM TAKING PUBLIC POSITIONS ON CW
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ISSUE BEFORE US HAS TAKEN DECISION ON THIS MATTER.

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